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In re Application

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Title: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR ATMOSPHERIC
PRESSURE REACTIVE ATOM PLASMA PROCESSING
FOR SHAPING OF DAMAGE FREE SURFACES

PATENT APPLICATION

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Sir:

This RESPONSE A is in reply to the Office action mailed July 8, 2002. The fee for the additional claims is attached herewith.

Amendments

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 15 and 19, and add new claims 21-31, all as shown below.

All pending claims are reproduced below, including those that remain unchanged. Marked up copies of the amended claims illustrating the changes are shown in the Appendix to this Response.

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